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EDUCATION	Stanford Graduate School of Business <i>Ph.D. in Political Economics</i> <i>Committee: Neil Malhotra, Greg Martin, Mike Tomz</i>	Stanford, CA Expected June 2027
	Smith College <i>B.A. in Economics, German Studies</i>	Northampton, MA 2016
RESEARCH INTERESTS	Political Economy, American Politics, Political Behavior, Public Opinion, Money and Politics, Bureaucracy	
PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS	<i>The Politics of Small Business Owners</i> Malhotra, Neil; Margalit, Yotam; & Shi, Saikun. <i>British Journal of Political Science</i>, vol. 55, 2025, Article e94. DOI: 10.1017/S0007123425000274. <i>The Policy Feedback Effects of State Assistance: Did Small Business Bailouts Increase Support for Public Aid Programs?</i> Malhotra, Neil & Shi, Saikun. <i>Journal of Experimental Political Science</i>, 2026, 1-10, DOI:10.1017/XPS.2026.10031.	
WORKING PAPERS	<i>Accountability in the Technocratic State: Public Opinion and Regulatory Enforcement in Antitrust</i> <i>Frontiers of the Franchise: How Partisan Electoral Concerns Shape Public Support for Expanding Voting Rights</i> <i>Targeted Advertising and Candidate Entry</i> (with Greg Martin)	
WORK IN PROGRESS	<i>Strategic Incompetence: When Bureaucrats Choose Failure</i> (with Mitch Harvey)	
PRESENTATION	American Political Science Association Midwest Political Science Association Stanford-Berkeley Graduate Political Science Conference	2023, 2024, 2025, 2026 2024, 2025, 2026 2024
RESEARCH EXPERIENCE	Pre-doctoral Fellow Columbia University Graduate School of Business, New York, NY Microeconomics Division PI: Cailin Slattery, Ashley Swanson	2019 - 2021
	Research Assistant Smith College, Northampton, MA	2014 - 2016

PI: Elizabeth Savoca (Economics), Steven M. Goldstein (Government Studies)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE	Course Assistant 2024 <i>Stanford GSB, Stanford, CA</i> POLECON 239 Strategy Beyond Markets, Prof. Greg Martin
	Teaching Assistant 2016 <i>Smith College, Northampton, MA</i> ECON240 Econometrics, Prof. Elizabeth Savoca
GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS	Academic Career Advancement Fellowship, Stanford GSB 2026-2027
	George P. Shultz Dissertation Fund, Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research (SIEPR) 2024
	Sakurako and William Fisher Family GSB Fellowship Fund 2024
	Stanford Center for American Democracy, Stanford Institute for Research in the Social Sciences (SIRiSS) 2024-2025
	The Charles W. Bonner Fellowship, Stanford GSB 2023
	The Lee Chang Yung GSB Fellowship, Stanford GSB 2023
	The Laboratory of the Study of American Values, Stanford Institute for Research in the Social Sciences (SIRiSS) 2022-2023
	The Sarah H. Crampton Fellowship Fund, Stanford GSB 2022
	Cha Family Fund for the Cha Scholars, Stanford GSB 2021
	EDGE: Enhancing Diversity in Graduate Education Doctoral Fellowship, Stanford University 2021-2023
SERVICES	The Janet Mitchell Blumberg Fellowship, Smith College 2014
	Reviewer: Journal of Politics; Management Science
	Research Mentor and Supervisor, Stanford Social Science Research Internship Program for Community College Students 2024-2026
	Peer Mentor for EDGE: Enhancing Diversity in Graduate Education Doctoral Fellowship, Stanford University 2023-2025
HONORS & AWARDS	Latin Honors, Smith College 2016
	Phi Beta Kappa 2016
	Delta Phi Alpha 2016
INDUSTRIAL EXPERIENCE	Economist (promoted from Senior Analyst, Analyst) 2016 - 2019 <i>Compass Lexecon, Washington, DC</i> Competition and Antitrust division. Topics in M&A regulatory reviews, damages litigation, price fixing.
SKILLS & LANGUAGE	Programming: Stata, R, Python, SQL Language: Chinese (Native)